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~~TO IMMEDIATE 2/27/75 CSM~~

~~TO DIRECTOR (105-12-207) NR 030 2~~

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OUR REPRESENTATIVE IN BUENOS AIRES REPORTED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY 1:30 AM, FEBRUARY 27, 1975, ANONYMOUS CALL TO NEWS MEDIA IN CORDOBA DISCLOSED THAT THE MONTONERO GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION HAD KIDNAPPED CONSULAR AGENT JOHN PATRICK EGAN, JR. ~~EGAN~~ FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING HIM AS A HOSTAGE IN EXCHANGE FOR SEVERAL DETAINED TERRORISTS. THE ANONYMOUS CALL DISCLOSED THAT THE MONTONEROS WOULD ISSUE AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE SOMETIME LATER ON DURING THE DAY OF FEBRUARY 27, 1975.

ON FEBRUARY 27, 1975, A ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THE POSITION OF THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT WITH EGAN'S MONTONERO CAPTORS WOULD BE ONE OF NON-NEGOTIATION. (S)

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~~[CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR JORGE OSVALDO~~

~~SECRETARY GENERAL, FEDERAL POLICE OF ARGENTINA.]~~ (S)

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2/27/75

You were previously advised that John Patrick Egan, Jr., U. S. Consular Agent, was abducted from his residence at Cordoba, Argentine, at 7:00 p.m. on 2/26/75. (~~S~~)(U)

Attached from Legat, Buenos Aires, reports that at 1:30 a.m. on 2/27/75, an anonymous call to the news media in Cordoba disclosed that the Montonero Guerrilla Organization (MGO) had kidnaped Egan for the purpose of holding him as a hostage in exchange for several detained terrorists. The call disclosed that the MGO would issue an official communique later on during the day of 2/27/75.

On 2/27/75 a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the position of the Argentine Government with Egan's captors would be one of non-negotiation. (S)

The attached is being disseminated to the White House Situation Room; Department of State; CIA; DIA; U. S. Secret Service; Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division (Internal Security/General Crimes Section); Deputy Attorney General (Analysis and Evaluation Unit); and NSA.

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11:30 AM IMMEDIATE 2/27/75 GJK

TO DIRECTOR (109-12-201) NR 050-27

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